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ALL NEW MYSTERY
ADVENTURES



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THIS BOMB WILL BE PLACED AT THE MUSEUM TO GO OFF AT EXACTLY THREE! YOU'LL HAVE TEN MINUTES TO GET US THE MICRO-FILM!

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Soon
after
YOU
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Coupon.**

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10 COME ON, PAL, NOW YOU give me
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\$100**
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did!

YOU CAN WIN
a BIG 15
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as I just did
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NAME
engraved
on it!

JIM NORMAN

AFTER

**He Mailed Coupon
Below is Cleveland**

BEFORE

He Mailed Coupon

90 lb.
Skeleton
He says,
I gained
70 lbs.
of
mighty
muscle

Mail the
"ALL
FREE"
coupon
get this
"AMAZING
SECRETS"
Photo Book

Mail Coupon in Time for FREE offer and PRIZES!

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Chinese Proverb Say ---
 "WHO WOULD PLAN EVIL DEED
 TO SPLIT SECOND MAY FIND
 SELF INVOLVED IN
TROUBLESOME TIME"



I'M NOT STICKING
 AROUND HERE, I'M
 LEAVING WHILE...
 AIYY... **COPS!!**

MOST WELCOME
 ARRIVAL OF POLICE
 INTERRUPTS SUDDEN
 DEPARTURE OF
 COWARDLY
 TRAITOR!

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 22,
 1935, THE OFFICE OF DOCTOR
 FRANK SHELL, DIRECTOR OF THE
 CITY ART MUSEUM...

THIS HUMBLE PERSON WILL MEET
 DR. RITTER ABOARD VESSEL.
 "HOPE" AS HONORABLE
 DIRECTOR REQUESTS.

THE
 SHIP
 DOCK'S
 AT NINE!
 I'LL
 GIVE
 YOU A PASS!



NINE A.M., SATURDAY, APRIL 23,
 1935...

HAVE PASS
 ALLOWING
 THIS LOWLY
 ONE TO ENTER
 SHIP - AM
 VISITING
 FAMOUS
 ARCHEOLOGIST,
 DR. ARTHUR
 RITTER!

I HAVE INSTRUCTIONS
 TO TAKE
 YOU TO DOCTOR
 RITTER'S CABIN.
 SIR, I'VE BEEN
 EXPECTING
 YOU!



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A FEW MINUTES LATER...

CHAN, THE VALUE OF THIS OLD EGYPTIAN CANOPIC JAR IS SO GREAT THAT NOT EVEN DR. SHELL DARES TO TRANSPORT IT HIMSELF! GUARD IT WELL!

SAFEST WAY SIMPLEST! STRAW AND JAR IN INCONSPICUOUS SATCHEL OF HUMBLE CITIZEN!

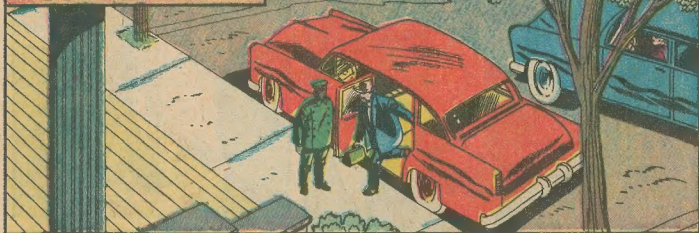


THAT SURE WAS A QUICK JOB, MR. CHAN!

CORRECTION, PLEASE, BIRMINGHAM! JOB NOT YET FINISHED! TILL ARTICLE OF VALUE DELIVERED! TO TWIST PHRASE OF OLD COIN-AGE: "SHORTEST WAY HOME SOMETIMES LONGEST WAY 'ROUND'."



AS CHARLIE CHAN STEPS TO THE CURB IN FRONT OF THE CITY MUSEUM, ANOTHER CAR STOPS A SHORT DISTANCE AWAY...



I'LL TAKE THAT BAG, MISTER! DON'T TRY TO STOP ME!

WHO ARGUES WITH GUN FINDS QUICK END TO TALK!



CAN YOU GET THAT LICENSE NUMBER, MR. CHAN?

SMOKE SCREEN MOST EFFECTIVE, SINCE THIS HUMBLE ONE HAVE NOT X-RAY EYES!

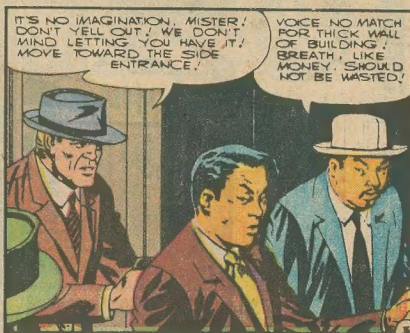
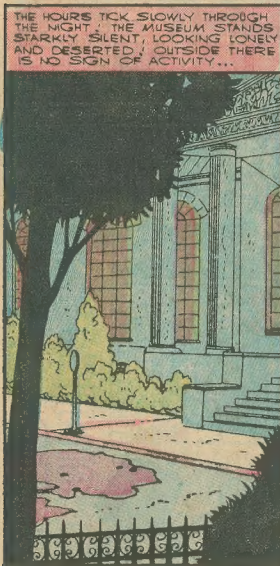


UNHAPPY TO REPORT LOSS OF VALUED JAR, TAKEN AT GUN-POINT!

WHAT! YOU MEAN YOU LET THE JAR BE TAKEN? WHAT KIND OF A DETECTIVE ARE YOU?



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WE GIVE YOU **CASH**
OR **PREMIUMS!**



TO SEE MY



desired, or red-
ive Pony for you
very own.



DID YA
HEAR
THAT
GANG?

YEAH. LET'S GIVE UP
BEING INJUNS AND SE
IN THAT COUPON SO
CAN EARN SOME SW
PREMIUMS TOO!

MAIL COUPON
GET BIG CATALOG

Candid Cameras with carrying case, Telescopes, Watchmaking, Simply Give pictures with White CLOVER Brand SALVE easily sold to friends, neighbors, relatives, Alarm Clocks, Billboards, Bibles.

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MAIL NOW!

Wilson Chemical Co. Dept. C-99 Tyrone, Pa. Date.....

Gentlemen:- Please send me on trial 14 colorful art pictures with 14 boxes of White CLOVERINE Brand SALVE to sell at 15¢ a box (with picture). I will remit amount asked.

within 30 days, select a *Premium* or keep *Cash Commitment*.
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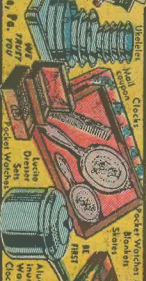
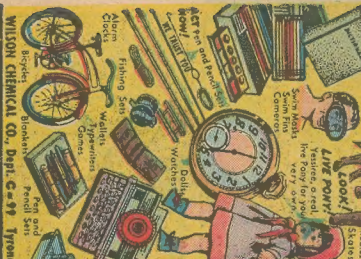
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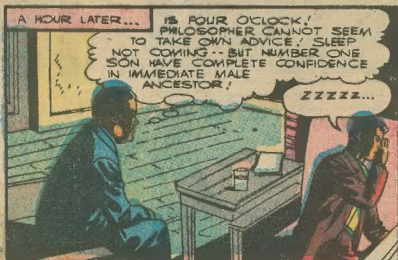
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AND, A SHORT TIME LATER, ACROSS TOWN...



MEANWHILE, AT THE MUSEUM...

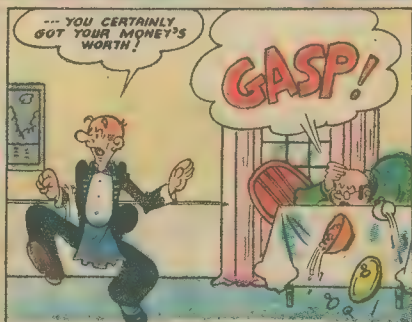
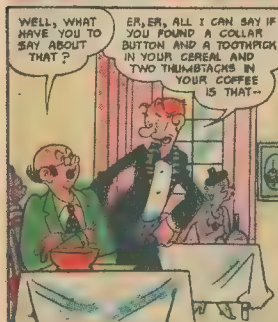
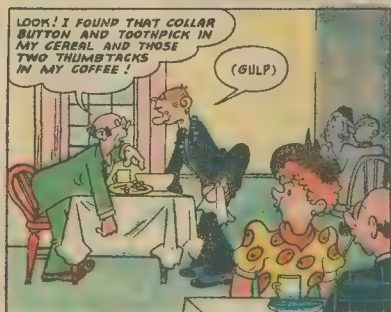
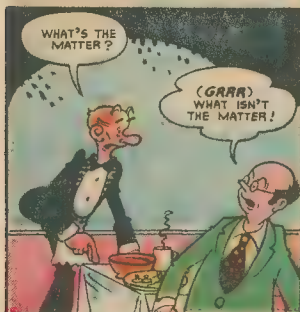
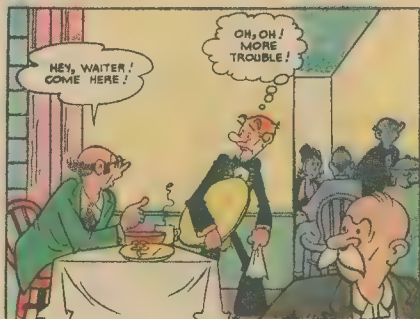
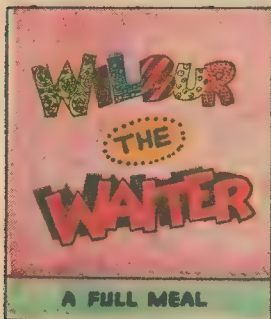


LATER, THE ARRIVAL OF THE BOMB SQUAD...



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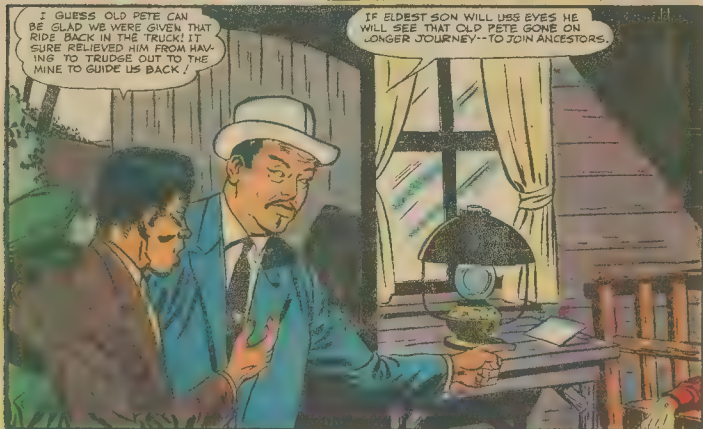
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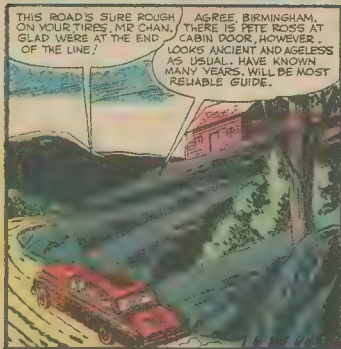
It is written in ancient book of wisdom, that...
CROOKED TRAIL TO WEALTH
LEADS ONLY TO...

Fool's Gold



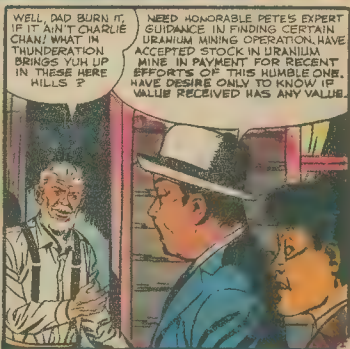
I GUESS OLD PETE CAN BE GLAD WE WERE GIVEN THAT RIDE BACK IN THE TRUCK! IT SURE RELIEVED HIM FROM HAVING TO TRUDGE OUT TO THE MINE TO GUIDE US BACK!

IF ELDEST SON WILL USE EYES HE WILL SEE THAT OLD PETE GONE ON LONGER JOURNEY--TO JOIN ANCESTORS.



THIS ROAD'S SURE ROUGH ON YOUR TIRES, MR CHAN. GLAD WERE AT THE END OF THE LINE!

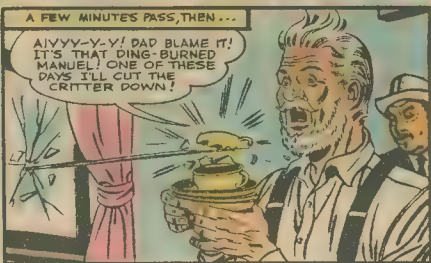
AGREE, BIRMINGHAM. THERE IS PETE ROSS AT CABIN DOOR, HOWEVER. LOOKS ANCIENT AND AGELESS AS USUAL. HAVE KNOWN MANY YEARS. WILL BE MOST RELIABLE GUIDE.



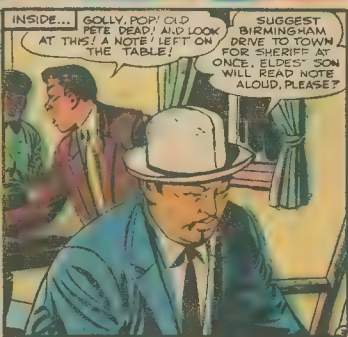
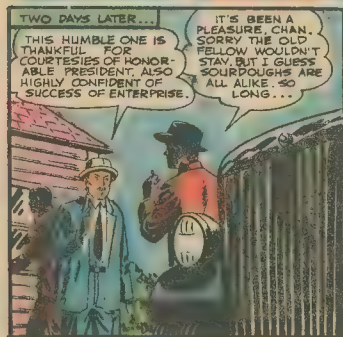
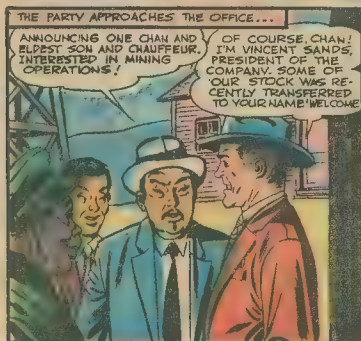
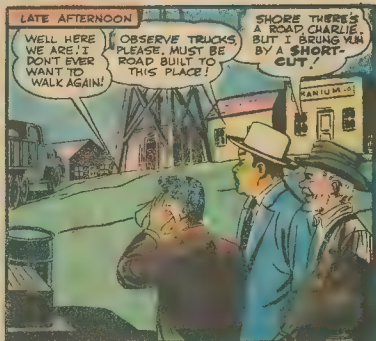
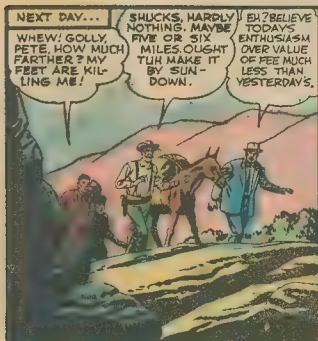
WELL, DAD BURN IT, IF IT AIN'T CHARLIE CHAN! WHAT IN THUNDERATION BRINGS YUH UP IN THESE HERE HILLS?

NEED HONORABLE PETE'S EXPERT GUIDANCE IN FINDING CERTAIN URANIUM MINING OPERATION. HAVE ACCEPTED STOCK IN URANIUM MINE IN PAYMENT FOR RECENT EFFORTS OF THIS HUMBLE ONE. HAVE DESIRE ONLY TO KNOW IF VALUE RECEIVED HAS ANY VALUE.

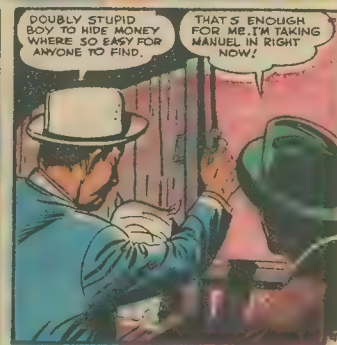
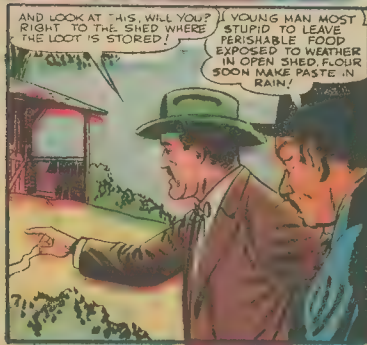
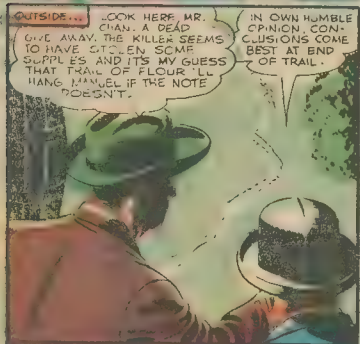
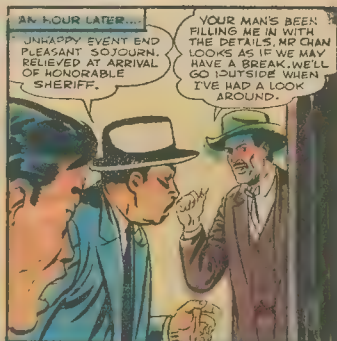
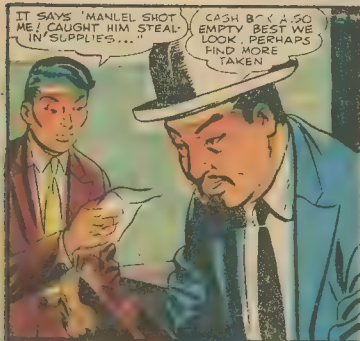
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Now! The Amazing Facts about

BALDNESS

...AND WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT



The following facts are brought to the attention of the public because of a widespread belief that nothing can be done about hair loss. This belief has no basis in medical fact. Worse, it has condemned many men and women to needless baldness by their neglect to treat certain accepted causes of hair loss.

There are six principal types of hair loss, or alopecia, as it is known in medical terms:

1. Alopecia from diseases of the scalp
2. Alopecia from other diseases or from an improper functioning of the body
3. Alopecia of the aged (senile baldness)
4. Alopecia areata (loss of hair in patches)
5. Alopecia of the young (premature baldness)
6. Alopecia at birth (congenital baldness)

Senile, premature and congenital alopecia cannot be helped by anything now known to modern science. Alopecia from improper functioning of the body requires the advice and treatment of your family physician.

BUT MANY MEDICAL AUTHORITIES NOW BELIEVE A SPECIFIC SCALP DISEASE IS THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF HAIR LOSS.

This disease is called Seborrhea and can be broadly classified into two clinical forms with the following symptoms:

1. **DRY SEBORRHEA** The hair is dry, lifeless, and without gloss. A dry flaky dandruff is usually present with accompanying itching. Hair loss is considerable and increases with the progress of this disease.
2. **OILY SEBORRHEA** The hair and scalp are oily and greasy. The hair is slightly sticky to the touch and has a tendency to mat together. Dandruff takes the form of head scales. Sores are usually itchy. Hair loss is severe and baldness as the end result.

Modern medicine agrees that to NEGLECT these symptoms of DRY and OILY SEBORRHEA leads to PREMATURE BALDNESS.

Seborrhea is believed to be caused by three germ organisms: *Staphylococcus albus*, *Pityrosporum ovale*, and *Acnes bacillus*.

These germs attack the sebaceous gland causing an abnormal working of this fat gland. The hair follicle, completely surrounded by the enlarged diseased sebaceous gland, then begins to atrophy. The hair produced becomes smaller and smaller until the hair follicle dies. Baldness is the inevitable result. (See illustration.)

But seborrhea can be controlled, particularly in its early stages. The three germ organisms believed to cause seborrhea, can and should be eliminated before they destroy your normal hair growth.

A post-war development, Comate Medicinal Formula kills these three germ organisms on contact. Proof of Comate's germ-killing properties has been demonstrated in laboratory tests recently conducted by one of the leading testing laboratories in America. (Complete report on file and copies are available on request.)

When used as directed, Comate Medicinal Formula controls seborrhea—stimulates the flow of blood to the scalp—helps stop scalp itch and burn—improves the appearance of your hair and scalp—helps STOP HAIR LOSS due to seborrhea. Your hair looks more attractive and alive.

You may safely follow the example of thousands who first were skeptical, then curious, and finally decided to avail themselves of Comate Medicinal Formula.



**DESTRUCTION OF HAIR FOLLICLES
Caused By Seborrhea**

A - Dead hairs, B - Hair-destroying bacteria, C - Hypertrophied sebaceous glands, D - Atrophic follicles

A Few of the Many Grateful Expressions By Users of Comate Medicinal Formula

"My hair was coming out for years and I tried everything. Nothing stopped it until I tried Comate. Now my hair has stopped coming out. It looks so much thicker. My friends have noticed my hair and they all say it looks so much better."
—Mrs. R. E. J., New Haven, Ala.

Your hair formula got rid of my dandruff, my head does not itch any more. I think it's the best of all of the formulas I have used."
—F. E., Hamilton, Ohio.

"Your formula is everything you claim it to be and the first 10 days total freed me of a very bad case of dry seborrhea."
—J. E. M., Long Beach, Calif.

"I do want to say that just within five days I have obtained a great improvement in my hair. I do want to thank you and the Comate Laboratories for producing such a wonderful and amazing formula."
—M. M., Johnston, Pa.

"I have found almost instant relief. My itching has stopped with one application."
—J. N., Stockton, Calif.

"My hair looks thicker, not falling out like it used to. Will not be without Comate in the house."
—R. W., Lonsdale, R. I.

"I haven't had any trouble with dandruff since I started using Comate."
—L. W. W., Galveston, Tex.

"This formula is everything if not more than you say it is. I am very happy with what it's doing for my hair."
—T. J., Las Cruces, New Mexico.

I find it stops the itch and retards the hair fall. I am thankful for the help it has given me in regard to the terrible itchiness."
—R. B. L., Philadelphia, Pa.

The bottle of Comate I got from you has done my hair so much good. My hair has been coming out and breaking off for about 21 years. It has improved so much."
—Mrs. J. E., Lisbon, Ga.

Today these benefits are available to you just as they were to these sincere men and women when they first read about Comate. If your hair is thinning, over-dry or over-oily—if you are troubled with dandruff with increasing hair loss—you may well be guided by the laboratory tests and the experience of thousands of grateful men and women.

Remember, if your hair loss is due to Seborrhea, Comate CAN and MUST help you. If it is due to causes beyond the reach of Comate Medicinal Formula, you have nothing to lose because our GUARANTEE POLICY assures the return of your money unless delighted. So why delay when that delay may cause irreparable damage to your hair and scalp. Just mail the coupon below.

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☐ Enclosed bill \$5.00, Send postpaid. (Check, cash, money order.)

☐ Send C.O.D. I will pay postman \$5.00 plus postal charges.

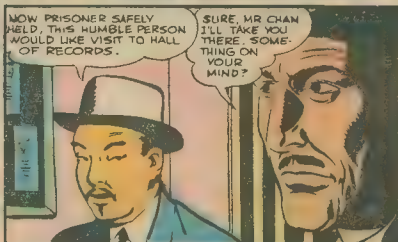
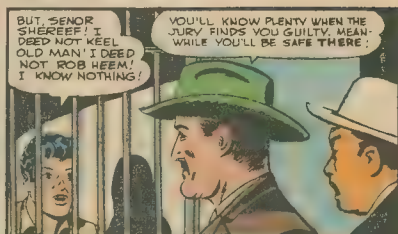
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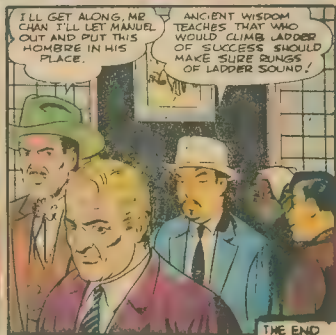
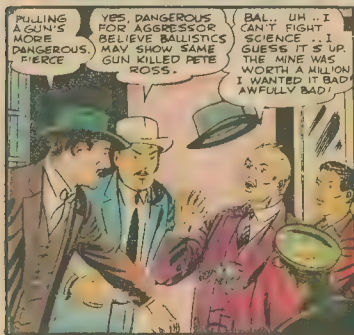
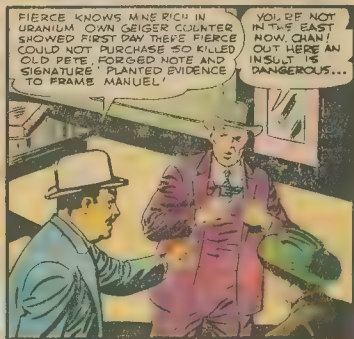
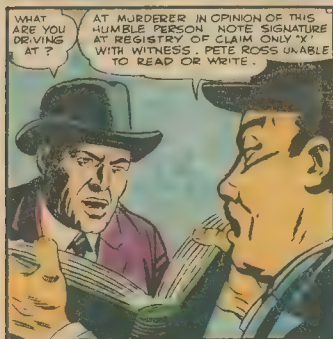
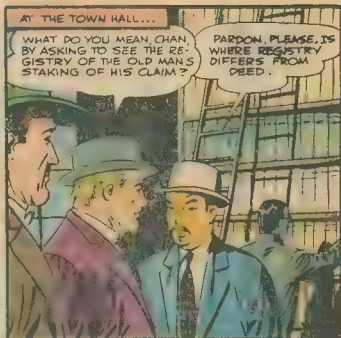
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RIDING back to the city from the Big House, Slip Ferran shuddered. He fingered the ten dollar bill the State had given him as a farewell present. Then he thought of something pleasant. He thought of Sam Shippick's specialty store. Once he'd seen Sam, there would be plenty more of the tenners. The train, rocking gently, started a stream of thought through his mind. Then he read the day-old paper again and smiled.

Sam dealt in everything needed by the well equipped crook. And Sam asked no questions. He didn't even ask for money. That came out of the proceeds of the first job.

Getting off the train at his appointed station, Slip fingered his parole slip. He took a small furnished room and dutifully dropped over to the familiar precinct. He asked for Detective Brens.

The desk sergeant jerked a thumb down a corridor. Slip lit a cigarette and wondered if Brens had put on any weight since sending him to the Big House four years before.

Brens had. Brens waved Slip to a chair.

"The warden phoned me when you left, Slip," he said. "Glad to see you. I was afraid for awhile you wouldn't bother reporting to the precinct."

"I'm not a fool, Brens," Slip said.

"Matter of opinion," Brens said humorlessly. "Down to your last dime?"

"That's my business," Slip said, with asperity.

"It's mine," Brens replied. "From now until your parole runs out." His eyes narrowed. "Slip, you've never reformed. Maybe you never will. But maybe, if you had a job..."

Slip shuddered.

"If you had a job," Brens continued relentlessly. "Nothing too heavy and maybe paying well, you might avoid the temptation to steal the Star of Egypt." He waved a clipping in front of Slip. "It's a big ruby in an ancient oriental crown. It's just arrived in this country for exhibition before it's broken down for sale."

Slip shook his head indignantly.

"Never heard of it," he said. "Besides I never slipped a gem in my life. Maybe a couple of strong-boxes, but that's all."

"That's just what I'm talking about, Slip," Brens said. He stood up in token of dismissal.

"Safes, boxes, anything you can break into. What difference does it make what you pick up after that—jewels or gimcracks, furs or fishing rods. All of it can be melted down into cash." He glanced sharply at the aging crook. "The Star of Egypt is a heavy stone, heavy enough for a millstone, Slip. Take my advice. Don't hang it round your neck."

Slip nodded and said goodbye. Outside he walked a bit, got his own copy of the identical clipping Brens had produced out of his vest pocket and shredded it carefully. He knew all the details now, anyway. Then he took a taxi to Sam Shippick's.

Sam recognized him the instant Slip walked in. He read off a list of stuff he needed, including new clothes. Sam pointed to a back room. When Slip had finished with Sam's tailors, he came out carrying a box with the new clothes in it. Sam handed him a tiny case of delicate burglar tools.

"Big job?" he inquired mildly. "Need any help?"

"I'll need somebody," Slip said.

Sam wrote something on a slip of paper. He shoved it over to Slip. Slip filled in a few lines. Sam glanced at them.

"He'll be there," Sam said. "Luck."

"Luck," Slip said briefly. He went home and began making preparations. Brens, if he expected him to go for the Star at all, would never expect Slip to move so quickly. He'd expect Slip to wait for a day or two. Slip planned to surprise him. He'd snatch the Star of Egypt that very night. Then a fast trip to a fence and a faster trip out of the city. Planes would get him forever out of Brens' reach.

On the way to the warehouse where the crown was kept after exhibition hours, Slip thought of Brens. He'd be fit to be tied. He glanced behind him. All clear. He got out of the cab a block from the place. He noticed a shadow detach itself from the appointed spot and move toward him as he came up. Slip nodded. The man nodded back. Slip beckoned and the other casually fell in step behind him.

Slip's step was characteristically cat like as he skirted the rear of the place. A thousand and one traps might be lying in wait. Some or them might even be alive—cops. It was a

thrilling challenge to an operator like Slip. He opened the first door effortlessly with his tiny kit.

Behind him, Sam Shippick's man came in silently. Slip stopped a few times to examine wires. His judgment was acute. Some he cut, others he short-circuited. In ten minutes he knew he'd shorted every burglar alarm in the building.

"Duck!" the man behind him suddenly whispered, nervously. Slip backed against the wall of the corridor. Ahead of them a step sounded. A watchman came out of a doorway on his rounds. He passed them within inches. Slip breathed as the footsteps died away. He grinned in the dark. They headed straight for the jewel vaults.

The watchman came out suddenly in front of Slip. He was swinging.

"Wha . . . !" Slip's heart seemed to stick in his throat. The watchman struck, one big fist smashing into Slip's nose. Slip's head wobbled but it quickly cleared. The watchman drew back for another smash. Then Slip's expert right came up from the ground. It drove like a rocket and exploded against the watchman's chin.

"Too bad you didn't cushion it for me," Slip said to the man behind him. "You're being paid for it." He rubbed his fist triumphantly. "Got to save my fingers for more delicate work," he chuckled.

The other grunted.

Slip knew the toughest part was over. Opening a safe was child's play for him. With the keys at the watchman's belt, they didn't have to bust open the door into the jewel vaults. Slip went down the line of steel, hinged slabs alphabetically. When he came to the one he wanted, he almost laughed out loud. Nothing could pierce that steel but brains. And he had the brains.

He got out a tiny stethoscope, placed it against the combination lock and started playing with the tumblers. A few minutes and he pulled sharply on the handle. The door swung open. Slip took out the crown. It was cold, chilling to the touch.

The other man suddenly stiffened. Slip went rigid. A door seemed to creak outside, down the corridor. Slip moved as swiftly as a snake. He felt round the crown until his sensitive fingers found the great jewel atop its apex. He wrenched it loose. One flash of the tiny light showed him it was the ruby. He slammed the crown back, closed the safe door and nimbly dropped the ruby into his partner's overcoat pocket. He'd collect it later, at Sam's.

Slip's heart pounded. He'd got his hands on a quarter of a million bucks—tax free. In the midst of danger he chuckled. Then came

a rush of feet down the corridor, the sound of voices. Slip whispered the rendezvous at Sam's, then a few instructions.

The pair divided in the darkness like two blades of a scissors. Slip went down a back flight of stairs as silently as a cat. He gained the ground floor in split seconds. Already he was bored. Escape would be so easy. And Sam Shippick's man must have reached safety. Slip had let him take the way of guaranteed escape. He stepped into the darkened street just off an alley.

A light blazed suddenly in his face. Brens got out of the waiting police car.

"Embarrassed, Slip?" Brens asked.

Slip smiled. His nerves were steady. At most they'd get him for loitering, stepping into a doorway to light a match.

"Just walking by," he explained. "You won't find anything on me, Brens."

Brens didn't. The detective frowned.

Cops poured out of the building. They seemed to be bringing Sam Shippick's man with them. Slip was still steady. He knew the Star was on the other. The accomplice put his hand in his coat pocket and gave Brens a big red stone.

"He dropped it in my pocket when the cops busted in," the man said.

Slip stared, white as a sheet. Brens smiled grimly.

"The guy Sam sent over was too early," Brens said. "The cop on the beat spotted him loitering and he told us the whole story—that he was waiting for you." Handcuffs clicked on Slip.

"In the meantime," Brens continued, "the cop got the owner of a cigar store around the corner that was closing to stand in for Shippick's man—and meet you." He paused. "We're picking up Sam, too."

SLIP sighed. "At least, back in the Big House, they'll point me out as the guy who stole the Star of Egypt—or almost."

"Not even almost," Brens said, holding up the red stone. "You got flustered when the boys came in. You thought the Star was the blockbuster in the top of the crown, just because it was big and red."

"In fact," Brens continued, "the real Star is a rare, smaller ruby stone, set in a circle of others on the side of the crown. This thing is just a great big red spinel worth about ten bucks. Even experts have trouble telling them apart from rubies, and . . ."

Brens stopped. One of the cops caught Slip just before he hit the sidewalk backwards. He'd fainted dead away.

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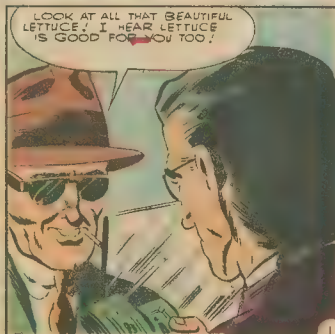
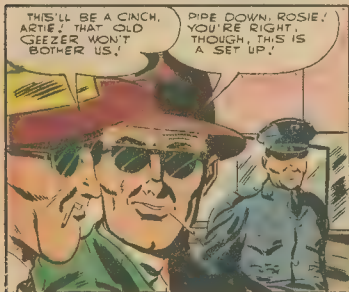
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FLANAGAN'S BANK

THEY SAY THAT THE CRIMINAL ALWAYS RETURNS TO THE SCENE OF HIS CRIME--BUT ARTE FLANAGAN WENT THAT ONE BETTER WHEN HE RETURNED TO THE SCENE AND COMMITTED THE SAME CRIME ALL OVER AGAIN--BUT HIS THIRD VISIT TO THE FARMER'S TRUST COMPANY PROVED TO BE ONE TOO MANY!



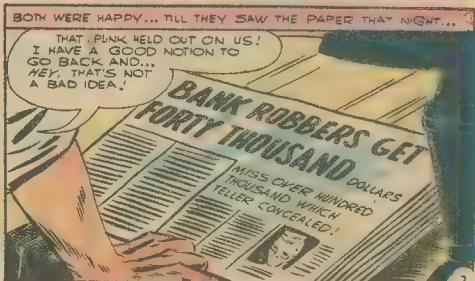
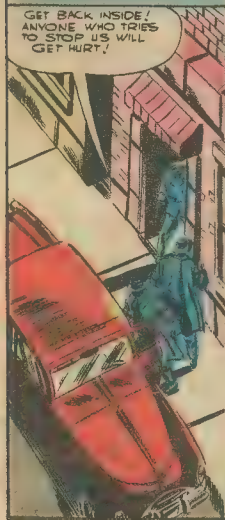
TWO WEEKS EARLIER, ARTIE FLANAGAN AND ROSIE MOORE FIRST MADE THEIR PLANS FOR ROBBING THE FARMER'S TRUST COMPANY...



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FLANAGAN AND MOORE GOT FORTY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND MADE A CLEAN GETAWAY...



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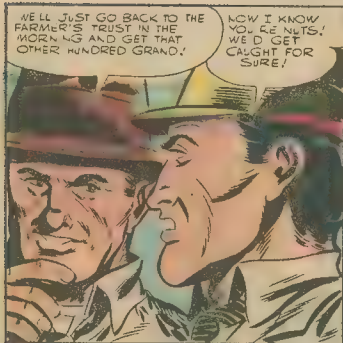
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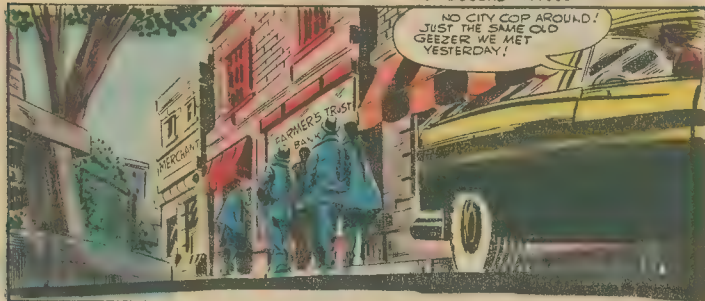
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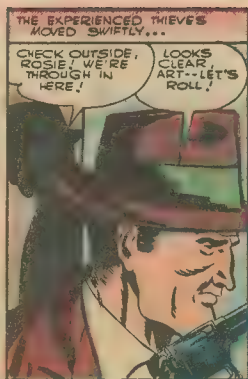
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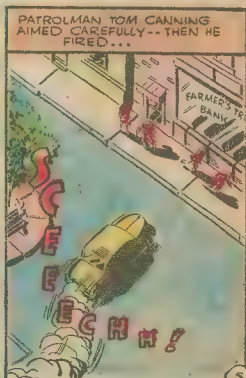
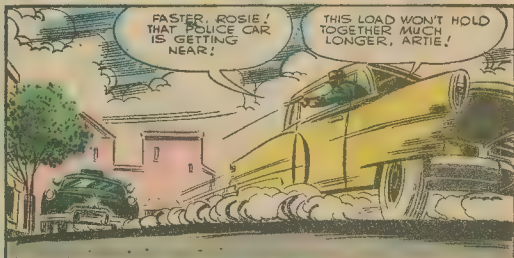
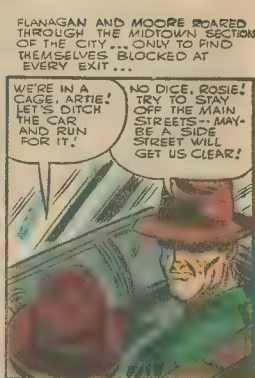
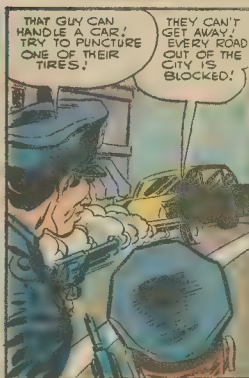
THE TWO HOODLUMS HAD ALREADY CASED THE BANK! ONE QUICK LOOK THE NEXT MORNING WAS ALL THEY NEEDED FOR THE SECOND TRY...



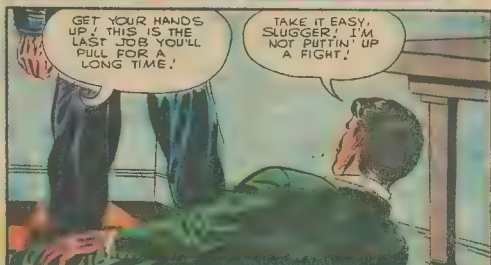
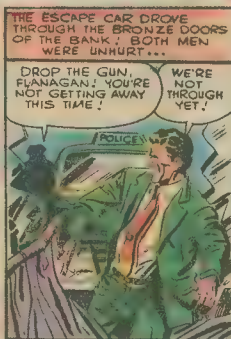
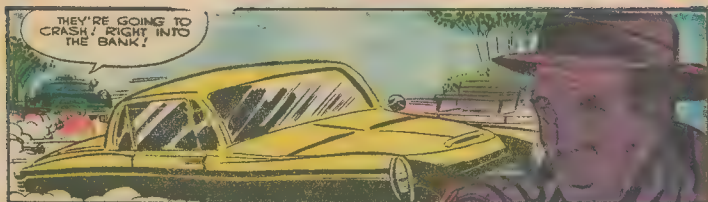
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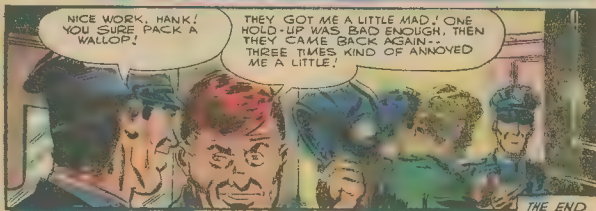
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SO FLANAGAN'S THIRD, INVOLUNTARY, VISIT TO THE FARMER'S TRUST WAS ONE TOO MANY...



THE END

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Chinese Proverb Say --- "OLD MAN CANNOT TURN BACK
HAND OF TIME! HE WHO TRIES, ONLY SLASHES SELF
BADLY... AND MUST PAY... **THE PENALTY**"



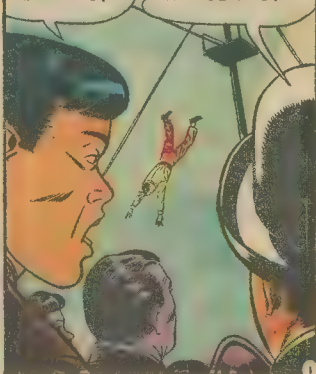
WHEW! IT'S
HOT AS
BLAZES
HERE!
POP!

IF IDIOT OFFSPRING
WILL STOP GRUMBING.
FATHER WILL CONCEN-
TRATE ON WHAT HE HAS
COME TO SEE!



HEY, POP,
LOOK, THE
GREAT BARGO
IS FALLING!

I AM LOOKING! THE
SIGHT IS MOST UN-
PLEASANT... BUT I
AM LOOKING!



CHARLIE CHAN



"POOR GUY MISSED THE SAFETY NET!"

HE WAS ONE OF THE BEST--BUT ACCIDENTS CATCH UP WITH THE GREATEST OF THEM!



EXCUSE, PLEASE--BUT HUMBLBY SUGGEST FATAL FALL WAS **NOT** AN ACCIDENT!

WHO LET THAT BUTTINSKY IN?



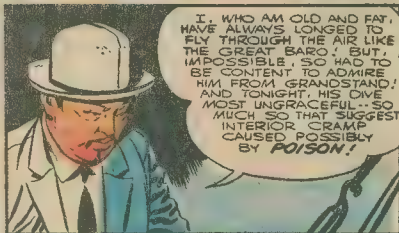
SHHH--THAT'S CHARLIE CHAN! HE AND THE LOCAL COPS ARE LIKE THIS!

ARRANGE, PLEASE, TO HAVE CORONER EXAMINE BODY!

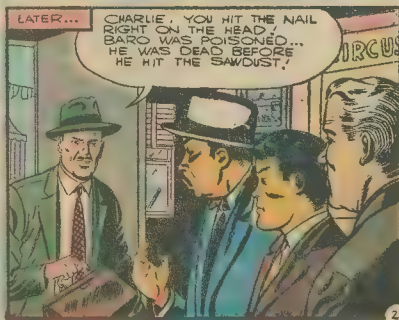


CORONER? BUT WE ALL SAW HIM FALL!

SO SORRY--BUT MANNER IN WHICH HE FELL MOST STRANGE! GRACEFUL BIRD NEVER LUMBERS LIKE AWKWARD ELEPHANT!



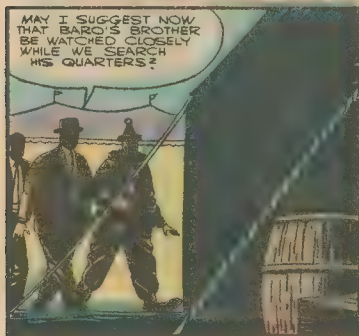
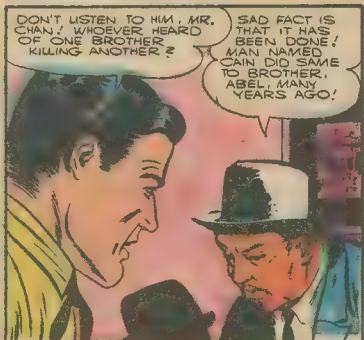
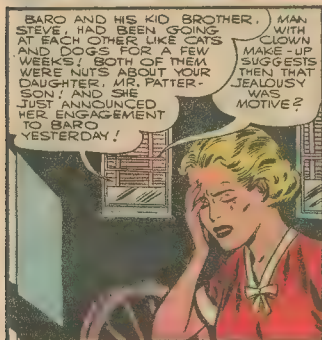
I, WHO AM OLD AND FAT, HAVE ALWAYS LONGED TO FLY THROUGH THE AIR LIKE THE GREAT BARO! BUT IMPOSSIBLE, SO HAD TO BE CONTENT TO ADMIRE HIM FROM GRANDSTAND! AND TONIGHT, HIS DIVE MOST UNGRACEFUL--SO MUCH SO THAT SUGGESTS INTERIOR CRAMP CAUSED POSSIBLY BY **POISON!**

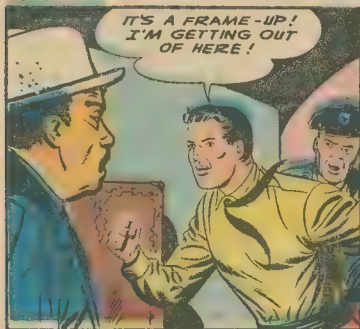


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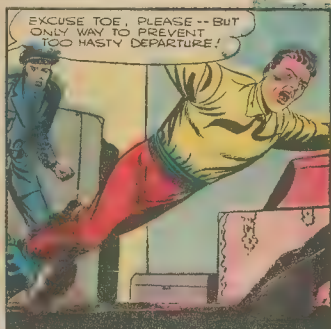
CHARLIE, YOU HIT THE NAIL RIGHT ON THE HEAD! BARO WAS POISONED... HE WAS DEAD BEFORE HE HIT THE SAWDUST!

CHARLIE CHAN

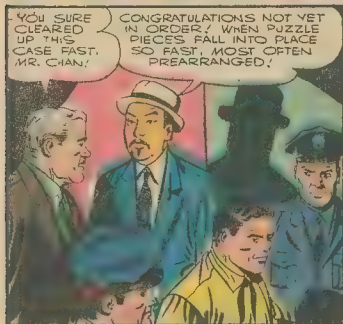




IT'S A FRAME-UP!
I'M GETTING OUT
OF HERE!



EXCUSE ME, PLEASE--BUT
ONLY WAY TO PREVENT
TOO HASTY DEPARTURE!



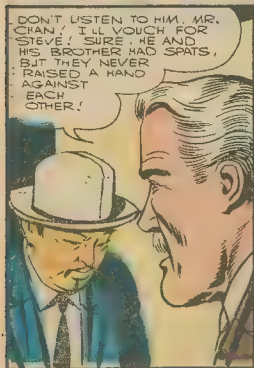
YOU SURE
CLEARED
UP THIS
CASE FAST,
MR. CHAN!

CONGRATULATIONS NOT YET
IN ORDER! WHEN PUZZLE
PIECES FALL INTO PLACE
SO FAST, MOST OFTEN
PREARRANGED!

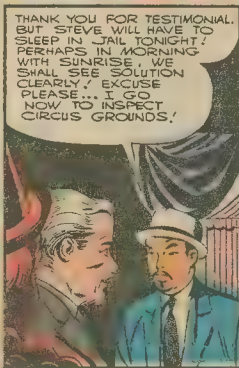


Y-YOU MEAN THE
VIAL WAS PLANTED
IN STEVE'S
TRUNK?

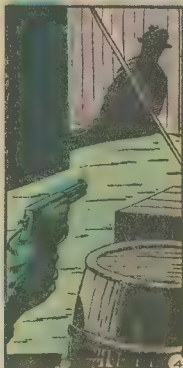
HELPFUL CLOWN
HAS OTHER
THOUGHT,
PERHAPS?



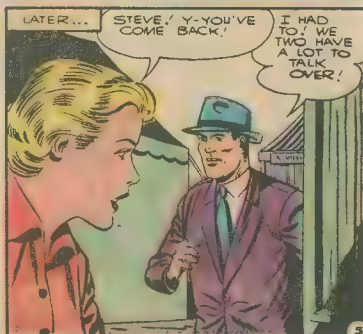
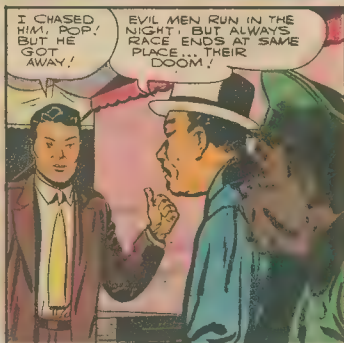
DON'T LISTEN TO HIM, MR.
CHAN! I'LL VOUCH FOR
STEVE! SURE, HE AND
HIS BROTHER HAD SPATS,
BUT THEY NEVER
RAISED A HAND
AGAINST
EACH
OTHER!



THANK YOU FOR TESTIMONIAL.
BUT STEVE WILL HAVE TO
SLEEP IN JAIL TONIGHT!
PERHAPS IN MORNING
WITH SUNRISE WE
SHALL SEE SOLUTION
CLEARLY! EXCUSE
PLEASE... I GO
NOW TO INSPECT
CIRCUS GROUNDS!



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I DIDN'T LET HIS BROTHER
TAKE HER AWAY FROM ME...
AND I WON'T LET HIM
EITHER!



HEY!!

KINDLY RELEASE PISTOL--OR
FAT OLD MAN WILL HAVE TO
APPLY MORE PRESSURE
ON WRIST!



YOU'VE NABBED ME, CHAN--
BUT NOT BEFORE I GOT
OFF THOSE TWO
SHOTS! NOBODY
CAN TAKE HER
AWAY FROM
ME NOW!

HUMBLY
SUGGEST
THAT YOU
ARE MISTAKEN!



SHADOWS YOU FIRED AT WERE
DUMMIES! ALL PART OF PLAN
THOUGHT UP BY TIRED OLD
ORIENTAL WHO STANDS
BEFORE YOU!



DAUGHTER WAS ONLY SO-
CALLED! NOT HIS OWN,
BUT ADOPTED! HE FELL
IN LOVE WITH HER AS
CHILD AND WAITED
PATIENTLY FOR HER TO
RECIPROCATATE FEELING
UPON AGING! WHEN
SHE CHOSE YOUNGER
MAN, HE KILLED
IN FURY!



AFTER ATTEMPT ON MY
WORTHLESS LIFE, I
KNEW KILLER STILL AT
LARGE IN CIRCUS!
MORE QUESTIONING
MADE ME SUSPECT
CIRCUS OWNER...
AND SO I LAID
TRAP FOR HIM
WITH HELP OF
STEVE!



HE TRIED TO TURN BACK
HAND OF TIME BY
DEMANDING LOVE
OF ONE TOO
YOUNG... AND
NOW HE MUST
PAY PENALTY!

THE END

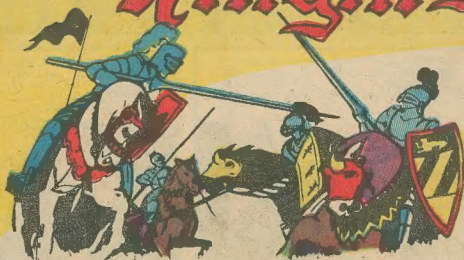
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
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
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